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January 28, 1993

Senator Diane Feinstein,  
331 Hart Senate Building,  
Washington, DC

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Ref:FCC's Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM-PR Docket 92-235)

Dear Senator Feinstein

I have been informed by the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) the major organizational body for Model Aeroplane enthusiasts nationwide (some 100,000 members), of the Federal Communications Commissions (FCC) intention to restructure the frequency allocation of certain frequency bands that will profoundly affect the model radio control hobby and the multi million dollar industries that supports hundreds of thousands of users nation wide.

The remote control equipment we use is low power (less than 0.5 watt) and designed for 10 KHz spacing between adjacent bands. Clearly then, FCC approval of the 72MHz and 75 MHz frequency inserts proposed by the referenced docket, will cause the vast majority of millions of dollars worth of legal, personally owned radio control equipment nationwide to be rendered useless. This will have resulted from the introduction of mobile communication channels (generally Cellular phones) less than 2.5KHz and in some cases superimposed on legally approved operating radio control equipment frequencies. There is no way that our current equipment will be able to cohabit on these radio channels without considerable danger to spectators and operators.

The effect is particularly profound here in California where radio control model flying is a year round pastime enjoyed by thousands of enthusiasts young and old.

Model aircraft have come a long way from the rubber band, stick and tissue models and toys of yesterday. Current equipment has been instrumental in the development of guided weapons and battlefield surveillance vehicles (RPV's) and it is quite likely that radio control equipment on the very frequencies at risk, are currently in use for taxpayer funded military research projects.

However the majority of model aircraft hobbyist like myself, are people on limited incomes. Retired engineers, doctors, contractors, military veterans, young "fast food" workers, high school youths and disabled persons. The radio control equipment, model kit and motor is a considerable investment for these individuals and the time put into the construction of an intricate scale radio control model can be many hundreds of hours. To have this much work destroyed because AT&T has provided


John Doe with a "Cellular" phone to call his wife or order a Pizza just as this model is 300ft over the model flying field is courting serious disaster, injury or death and probably much work for the attorneys and insurance companies.

In short, I sincerely request that you apply whatever pressure is at your disposal to have the FCC rescind the plans to insert new and inappropriate frequencies in the 72MHz and 75MHz bands that will profoundly curtail model operation throughout the country. I seriously believe that the FCC must reconsider NPRM-PR Docket 92-235 very carefully for it's profound effect on Part 95 where our model remote control frequencies reside.

This matter is particularly urgent since the FCC cutoff for comments on this subject is February 26th 1993 and they have yet to take the trouble to formally notify this seriously jeopardized nationwide group of users of a very serious conflict of interests and invite their comments. The FCC does not appear to have done its homework very thoroughly for this proposal.

I thank you sincerely for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Samuels', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

R.L. Samuels, President, Bear Valley Springs R/C Modelers.

PS. Please may I offer my sincere congratulations on your election success. It was a source of great pleasure to this old voter. May you prosper in your efforts to get this great country back on its feet. RLS.

January 31, 1993

Mike Owen  
2151 Grace Drive  
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

1993 FEB -6 PM 2:59

Sen. Diane Feinstein  
361 Dirksen Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Sen. Feinstein:

I am writing to you concerning PR Docket 92-235 which has to do with restructuring radio frequencies (by the FCC) which are used in radio control modeling.

I have been an active radio control airplane flyer for about five years and have a large investment in my airplanes and radio equipment. Each airplane (when complete) costs a minimum of \$350 and they are capable of speeds of 60-80 mph, with altitudes of 500-1000 ft.

With the proposed insertion of these "new" frequencies for Land Mobile Service, bracketing the bands which are currently reserved for radio control modeling, it would become too dangerous for spectators and modelers alike to be in an area where models are flown, due to the very real threat of interference from the Land Mobile Service frequencies.

We often fly where hundreds of operators participate and observe. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,



Mike Owen

February 1, 1993

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

93 FEB -6 PM 2:59

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am presently very active in the sport of Radio Control Modelling and I derive countless hours of enjoyment from various activities associated with this sport.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72 - 76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Robert Cortés', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert Cortés  
1379 Hunt Road  
Manteca, CA. 95336

112 La Grand Avenue  
Garden Grove, CA 92641  
February 2, 1993

93 FEB -6 PM 2:47

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam:

I have been building model aircraft since I was nine years old. It has been an interesting, relaxing and educational hobby. I am now retired; 74 years old and still building them. Most of my working life was spent as an engineer, for a major aerospace firm.

I started building radio controlled models in the 1950's, at their inception, and I kept building them all through their development years. I currently own three radio control systems. No, I am not wealthy. I won two of the systems in competition. These units are quite expensive and meet the latest narrow band requirements established by the FCC in 1991.


The FCC has issued a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM-PR Docket 92-235) which, if implemented, it will have a profound effect on model frequency use. There could be transmitters for land mobile use that could have four times the power output on our model systems and be only 2.5 KHZ away from a large number of our 72 and 75 MHZ frequencies. This dangerously close because the Land Mobile systems could swamp our model aircraft radio systems with the following results:

1. Most importantly, there are sometimes hundreds of people at the flying fields, both flyers and spectators. The loss of control of one of the models could cause serious physical damage and possibly death to someone.
2. The loss of radio control could cause the crash of an airplane, or even someone else's airplane, resulting in great financial loss to the owner.
3. To avoid the above, could mean buying new radio control systems having the unaffected frequencies which would be costly and restrictive.

It should be noted that some of the models are quite heavy and fly as fast as 170 m.p.h.

You are requested to vote against PR Docket 92-235 in the interest of safety, cost savings, education and the hobby.

Sincerely,



Robert W. Sheere

RWS:jas

cc:

93 FEB -6 PM 2:50

January 29, 1993

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
The United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam,

It has been brought to my attention that the FCC has issued a Notice of Proposed Rule Making PR Docket92-235 for a massive frequency restructuring. This is extremely devastating to myself and hundreds of thousands of other remote controlled modelers.

I derive many hours of enjoyment building and operating remote control model airplanes, cars and boat. My family helps and is very supportive, they also like to participate. The plans we most generally fly are non-powered R/C Gliders or Sailplanes. Typically they weigh up to 7 lbs with wingspans from 6ft to 13ft.

Since these R/C Sailplanes are non-powered, we are able to fly them from school athletic fields, parks and other fields that are located in the middle of residential areas. Our main concern with the added frequencies is SAFETY. The close proximity of the new insert frequencies to the established R/C frequencies allows interference and will probably result in crashes of our R/C Sailplanes, putting the residential areas in grave danger. A model of this size will certainly injure, or more seriously, kill a person if they are hit by a model streaking uncontrollably to the ground. Damage to other structures (houses, school buildings, industrial buildings and automobiles) should also be considered.

I currently own 7 transmitters and 10 receivers suitable for controlling R/C model aircraft, boats and cars. This equipment alone cost me over \$3000.00. All of my RC equipment will become useless if new frequencies are allowed to operate.

I am a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics # 352058, a body of over 180,000 national members.

Please DO NOT adopt these new mobile frequencies.

Very Sincerely,

Bob Litsey  
4965 Clydebank St.  
Covina, Ca. 91722

*Bob Litsey*  
*1/30/93*

Chris Ralston  
2713 South Norfolk Street #203  
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February 1, 1993

1993 FEB -6 PM 2:46

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am a very active flier of radio control



28 January 1993  
21651 Balerna  
Mission Viejo, CA 92692

Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

93 FEB -6 PM 2:48

Dear Ms. Feinstein:

I am writing you to express a concern and I need your help. I am an avid aviation enthusiast and have indeed designed, built, and flown radio control sailplanes for over a decade. Indeed my interest in aviation at an early age lead to my present career in the aerospace industry.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72 - 76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either of us interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that my model airplanes have wing spans up to 16 feet and weigh as much as 20 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build, but, more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. I often fly my models at organized events and contests when hundreds of operators participate. I need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The radio control industry creates jobs and pleasure for hundreds of thousands of people. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. I would appreciate your help and guidance on how to proceed on this issue.

Sincerely,

*F.K. "Joe" Holtzman*  
F. K. "JOE" HOLTZMAN



93 FEB -6 PM 2:48

February 3, 1993

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
Suite 368  
Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Re: FCC proposed PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 MHz band

I am a corporation in Orange County manufacturing accessories sold to nationwide distributors of the radio-controlled car industry; and I am asking your assistance to us and other manufacturers like us by your **not supporting** FCC actions carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 MHz band.

If the PR Docket 92-235 is adopted, it has the potential to destroy my business and that of thousands of other manufacturers nationwide like me. The radio-controlled hobby industry is a billion dollar industry which benefits California immensely. I believe we need to protect California small businesses like myself.

Please help me continue my business without interference by not allowing the FCC to carry out the above proposal. We need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of Feb. 26th, 1993, after which it may become more difficult to avoid this economic mistake.

Sincerely,

SAIKO RACING PRODUCTS, INC.

Steven Saik  
President

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Frank W. Plaisted  
20800 Homestead Rd, 1H  
Cupertino, CA 95014

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January 29, 1993

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am a registered professional electrical engineer and engineering manager in a local high-technology company. I am also a licence private pilot. I have found radio-controlled (R/C) model aviation to be an excellent hobby for me because of my technical and aviation background. I spend many enjoyable hours flying my R/C model helicopter and participating in activities with my local club.

I am very concerned about the proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and associated liability for controlling model aircraft.

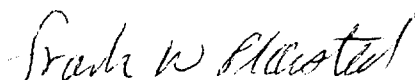
Model aviators share the 72-76 MHz band with private land mobile dispatch operations. We do not interfere with each other because of wide channel separation and narrow channel widths. Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile channels by decreasing channel separation and eliminating some R/C channels. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the R/C frequencies and cause interference to R/C operations. I am told that the new rules will eliminate 31 (62%) of the 50 channels that are presently available for R/C model aircraft.

When we fly our model aircraft under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the R/C channels. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. If the number of usable channels is diminished as

equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry. It has also proven to be an excellent motivator for young people to learn about science and technology and has launched the careers of many scientists and engineers.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals which would further restrict my use of the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank W. Plaisted".

Frank W. Plaisted

1213 El Paso Drive  
Los Angeles, CA 90065  
February 2, 1993

The Honorable D. Feinstein  
U.S. Senate  
Washington D.C. 20510

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Dear Mrs. Feinstein,

I am retired from Lockheed Aircraft Corporation where I worked for fifty years. When I retired I was a Division manager in Advanced Development. Because airplanes and flying have been a major part of my life I continue to derive many hours of enjoyment at the Sepulveda Basin Model Airport flying the radio control models that I build in my shop at home. I am active with youth in teaching them to build model aircraft and to fly them. As they advance in knowledge and ability to construct viable model aircraft they learn to fly radio control models.

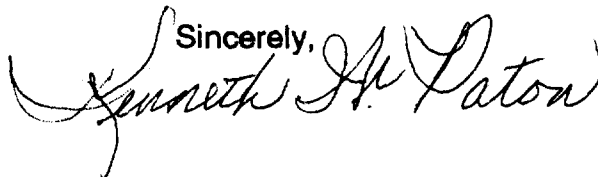
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When we fly our models under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators, the bystanders, and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for the control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and our radio control equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousand of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Sincerely,  


23541 Belmar Drive  
Laguna Niguel, CA 92677  
January 28, 1993

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am an Aerospace Engineer and Private Pilot whose hobby has been constructing and flying model airplanes for over forty (40) years. I live in Southern California where I have watched the available flying sites disappear as the population grew and society became increasingly litigious.

Therefore, I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72 - 76 MHz band.

Sincerely,



William G. Hill

AMA 77041

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

January 21, 1993  
93 FEB -6 PM 2:13

Subject: FCC NPRM Pr Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Let me begin by congratulating you on your recent election. Here's hoping things will change for the better in Washington. I am writing to request your assistance in the rejection of the subject proposal presently before the F.C.C. for adoption.

During the last five years we in the Radio Control Model hobby were required to replace all our equipment because the F.C.C. decreased our frequency spacing from 20 Khz to 10 Khz. The equipment replacement was very expensive and now they would all be obsoleted by this docket changing the spacing to 2.5 Khz.

Most of us have been interested in Radio Controlled Models for over thirty years and we spend much of our leisure time trying to help the younger generation to learn what a great hobby-sport this is. Certainly this wonderful pastime offers young people a great alternative to drugs, for this reason alone it is worthwhile.

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This proposal, if adopted, would preclude the safe operation of model aircraft and make the operators subject to litigation for accidents caused by radio interference. The models I fly are large, fast, and expensive, therefore I take every precaution to operate them safely. There is no precaution I could take to prevent an accident caused by radio interference by another radio broadcasting perhaps miles away on a frequency only 2.5 Khz. away from my radio.

It is for the reasons I have stated that the proposals in FCC. NPRM PR Docket 92-235 to add frequencies between model and commercial frequencies not be adopted.

Sincerely



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MR. & MRS. W. M. SNEDEKER  
561 CARMEL WAY  
HEMET, CALIF. 92545

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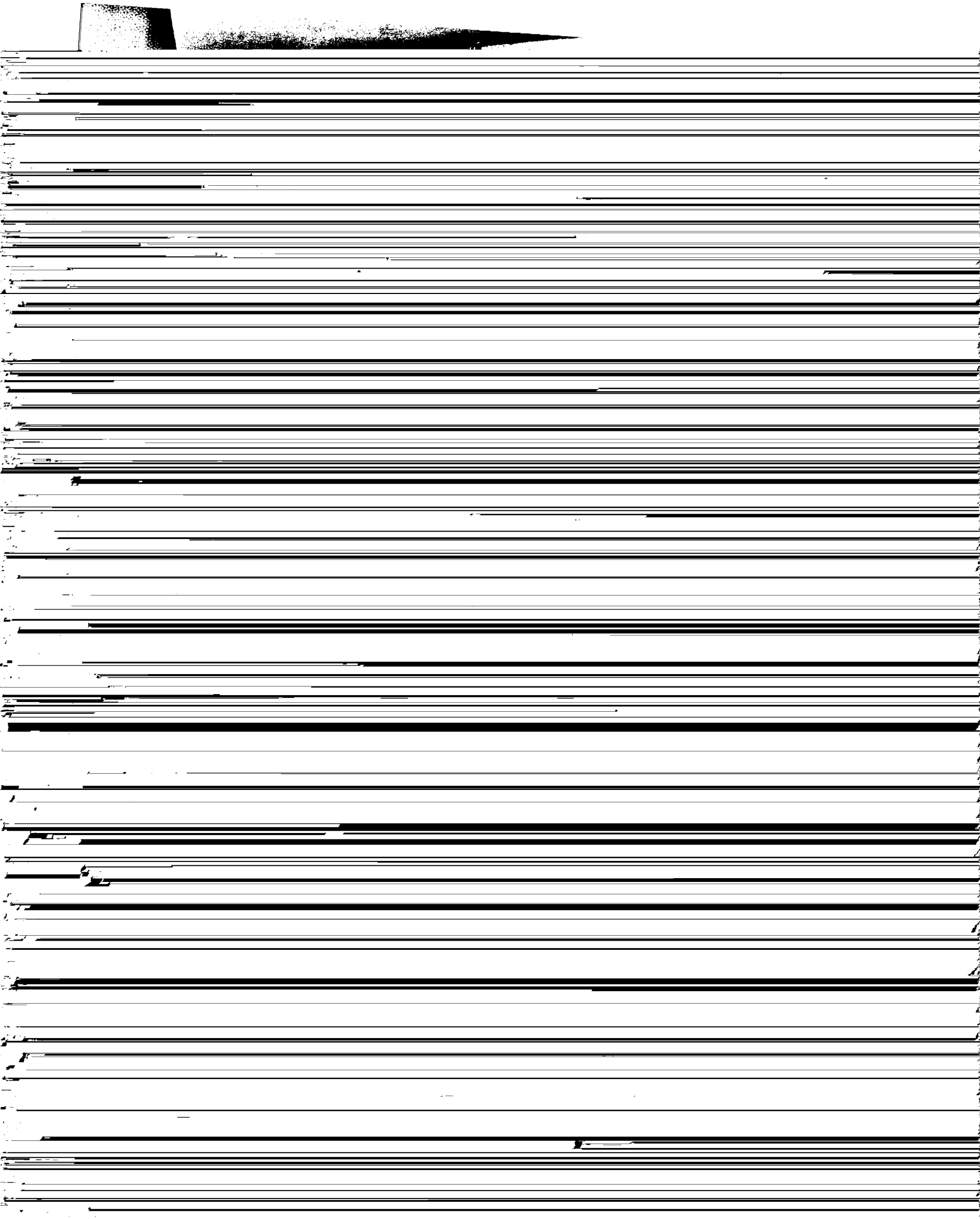
The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
331 Hart Senate Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I wish to bring to your attention the proposed rules changes that the FCC is considering under docket 92-235. These changes are totally unacceptable both on technical merit and just basic fairness to radio operators that have operated in this band for many years for remote controlled aircraft.

Technically, squeezing more mobile radio spots into this band will result in poor reception for the mobile operators, and it will first obsolete our remote control equipment and then increase the price of new equipment substantially.

I have been in model aircraft for over 55 years, before and since being in the Army Air Corp. I've seen many young people get airplanes in their system from model flying and go on to great careers in the military or private sector. The



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Sincerely



Mr. & Mrs. Ray Ellsworth  
12540 3rd St.  
Yucaipa, Calif. 92399

February 1, 1993

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Dirksen Senate Bldg. #367  
Washington, D. C. 20510

93 FEB -6 PM 2:09

Dear Mrs. Feinstein:

I am very concerned about a proposed rule change currently under consideration by the FCC. The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of radio frequencies now assigned for model use and will increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

As you probably know, model radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. Our radio control frequencies in this band are just far enough from the land mobile frequencies so that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now however, the FCC is proposing to create more land mobile channels by splitting the existing channels into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile channels will move closer to the radio control model frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations.

I understand that of the 50 channels presently available in the

to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not believe the FCC should improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers, especially since the hobby just finished costly radio equipment upgrades to meet the 1991 FCC standards. I personally had to spend nearly \$500 to replace and upgrade my radio equipment. I will be retiring this year and will not be able to

**SHELDON A. BERKOWITZ, PH.D.**

**CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY**

**LIC. NO. PF 6146**

**129 E STREET**

**DAVIS, CALIFORNIA 95616**

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When we fly our model airplanes under radio control we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased. It is important to understand that frequency interference can cause serious and even lethal accidents. We need our full compliment of radio frequencies in order to insure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise or fair for the FCC to improve the operating conditions of the land mobile radio users at the expense of hundreds of thousands of radio control modelers all across the country. I am a contributing member of the Democratic National Committee because I believe the Democratic Party should be the party of fairness to all, and not just monied interests. Therefore I ask you to help me and many others continue the safe enjoyment of our pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Sheldon A. Berkowitz, Ph.D.



February 1, 1993

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

1993 FEB -6 PM 2:05

RE: PR DOCKET 92-235

Dear Senator,

Please vote **AGAINST** the FCC's proposed addition of radio frequencies which will fall in between those already assigned to model aircraft.

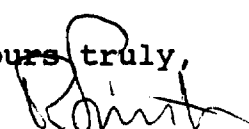
The proposed frequencies are impossibly close to those used by modelers, allow more power and would be mobile. This could cause interference with model planes and some very expensive **CRASHES!**

It seems unfair of the FCC to insert these channels after modelers have already purchased radio equipment.

I have 2 radios which would be affected, costing over \$250 each, and they control 1/4 scale planes costing over \$1500 each. These planes weigh over 25 pounds and at a speed of nearly 100 miles an hour pose a considerable hazard to health and property when out of control.

**PLEASE HELP SAVE OUR FREQUENCIES!**

Yours truly,

  
Russell Smith  
12548 Matteson Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90066